



FW/ **PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Nobuyuki IRIE

Group Art Unit: 2851

Application No.: 10/628,363

Examiner: P. Kim

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Docket No.: 109395.01

For: EXPOSURE METHOD AND EXPOSURE APPARATUS

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

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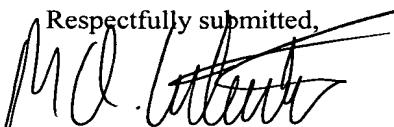
Sir:

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